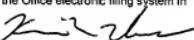


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Dear Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 3, 2009, finally rejecting claims 1-20, having a shortened statutory period for response extended three months to expire on May 3, 2010, please enter this Preliminary Amendment with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Payment of fees for the RCE and the three-month extension is authorized on the attached RCE transmittal.

Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/BOUL/0015USP/KMT, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.